Indo-Polish joint ventures in third countries

799. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to set up joint ventures in the third countries in collaboration with Poland;

(b) if so, whether the agreement has been made between both the countries in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details of the joint ventures proposed to be set up by India and Poland in the third countries?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (c) No, Sir. Government does not presently have any specific proposals to set up JVs in third countries in collaboration with Poland. No formal agreement has been signed in this regard. However, during the fifth meeting of the Indo-Polish JBC in Warsaw on October 7, 1993 it was decided to promote JVs both in India and Poland and also for cooperation in third countries i.e. countries other than Poland and India.

Export of Cement

800. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total quantity of cement so far exported from India during 1994-95 as compared to the years 1992-93 and 1993-94;

(b) what are the names of such parties who are engaged in export/import indicating the price fixed therefor, terms and conditions laid down and whether any action has been taken against the defaulting companies; and

(c) whether it is a fact that cement is being exported to Pakistan and if so, the quantity exported till date and whether any conditions have been laid down for exporting cement to that country?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) The total quantity of cement including clinker exported during the years 1992-93, 1993-94 and the period April-May, 1994-95 is given below:—

(Quantity in million tonnes)

1992-93	1993-94	1994-95 (April-May) (Estt.)
1.18	2.85	0.23

(b) Export of cement is allowed under Open General Licence (OGL); as per current Export-Import Policy. Import of cement is not allowed. Names of the major exporters of cement are as under:—

(1) The Associated Cement Co. Ltd., Bombay.

(2) Birla Jute and Industries Ltd., Calcutta.

(3) Cement Corporation of India Ltd., New Delhi.

(4) Dalmia Cement (Bharat) Ltd., Distt. Trichy.

(5) Indian Rayon and Industries Ltd., Calcutta.

(6) Madras Cement Ltd., Madras.

(7) Raasi Cement Ltd., Secunderabad.

(8) Gujarat Ambhuja Cements Ltd., Bombay.

(9) The India Cement Ltd., Madras.

(10) Shree Digvijay Cement Co. Ltd., Bombay.